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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
OFFICE OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES

20 January 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: NIE 71.1-57: The Outlook for Morocco

BACKGROUND

1. NIE 71.1-57 was initiated as part of the regular estimates program, which provided for separate treatment of Algeria, Morocco, and Tunisia rather than their continued inclusion in an over-all North African paper. Originally scheduled for the fourth quarter of 1956, production of NIE 71.1-57 was delayed because of the greater urgency of other estimates. In scheduling the estimate for this quarter the IAC agencies directed that it be written in the shortest possible form.

SUMMARY

2. No serious problems were encountered in coordinating this paper and we anticipate no major substantive questions being raised in the IAC concerning it.

3. Conclusion 2: "So long as Morocco remains economically dependent on France, the French will be able to retain some special privileges in Morocco" -- was included at the insistence of the State Department. The Board will not disagree with it.

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considers it problems and not equal in importance with the other conclusions. We would be happy to see it dropped.

FOR THE BOARD OF NATIONAL ESTIMATES:

CHAIRMAN KENT
Assistant Director
National Estimates

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